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SUBJ ALLEGATIONS OF CIA OPERATIONS IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

1. ON JULY 30 LOCAL TELEVISION NEWSCASTER PHONED CONGEN TO REQUEST COMMENT ON STATEMENT WHICH BRITISH COLUMBIA GOVERNMENT MINISTER WILLIAMS ALLEGEDLY MADE TO STUDENT NEWSPAPER REPORTER AT UNIVERSITY WISCONSIN JUNE 20. STORY WHICH TV STATION OBTAINED BY PHONE FROM STUDENT NEWSPAPER ALLEGES THAT WILLIAMS SAID CIA IS "ATTEMPTING TO DESTABILIZE OUR ECONOMY ... WE HAVE DOCUMENTED EVIDENCE THAT CIA FILTERED MONEY INTO RIGHT-WING OPPOSITION GROUPS AND RIGHT-WING PRESS IN ORDER TO DESTABILIZE OUR GOVERNMENT. WE HAVE DISCOVERED INFILTRATORS IN OUR PARTY (NDP) WHO HAD ADMITTED WORKING FOR AMERICAN INTELLIGENCE AND OUR PARTY MEMBERS REPORT ON BEING OFFERED BRIBES TO DISRUPT OUR MEETINGS AND PARTY FUNCTIONS. AFTER WHAT HAPPENED IN CHILE WE ARE ONLY SOCIALIST GOVERNMENT LEFT IN THE AMERICAS AND WE FEEL WE ARE NEXT TARGET FOR CIA. . . WE HAVE PRESENTED OUR EVIDENCE TO TRUDEAU AND HE HAS AGREED TO DO WHAT HE COULD ABOUT IT BECAUSE CANADIAN PEOPLE ARE VERY CHAUVINISTIC PEOPLE AND ANY ATTEMPT BY CIA OR AMERICAN IMPERIALIST GROUPS TO INTERFERE WITH ANY CANADIAN GOVERNMENT WILL HURT PRIME MINISTER TRUDEAU."

2. I RECEIVED BCTV REPORTER IN MY OFFICE AND STATED IN UNCLASSIFIED

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ANSWER TO HIS QUESTION ON VIDEO TAPE INTERVIEW THAT

ALLEGATIONS SUCH AS THOSE REPORTEDLY MADE BY MINISTER WILLIAMS HAVE NEVER BEEN MADE FORMALLY OR INFORMALLY TO ME BY HIM OR ANY MEMBER BC GOVERNMENT AND THAT I COULD STATE UNEQUIVOCALLY FOR RECORD THAT THERE ARE NO RPT NO CIA OPERATIONS IN CANADA. WHEN ASKED IF IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE FOR BC GOVERNMENT TO KNOW ABOUT A CIA OPERATION IN BC THAT I WOULD NOT KNOW ABOUT, MY REPLY WAS SIMPLE, FLAT "NO." THIS ENDED INTERVIEW.

3. WILL KEEP DEPARTMENT AND EMBASSY INFORMED OF ANY FURTHER INQUIRIES FROM TV OR PRESS ON THIS SUBJECT. STUTESMAN

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